

HON. S. M. SPARKMAN WAS THE SPEAKER

At Closing Exercises of the Gainesville Graded and High School.

ENJOYABLE ENTERTAINMENT

Beautiful Music by Gainesville's Favorite Artists—Roll of Honor—Prize Essay on General Forrest—Mattie A. Williams Winner of Medal.

Notwithstanding the other attractions about the city Friday evening, the large auditorium of the Gainesville Graded and High School was well filled with the patrons and friends of the school to be present at the annual closing exercises.

Shortly after 8 o'clock Professor McIntosh, in a few remarks, stated that as the work of the school year had been interfered with by the change of management, there was no graduating class, but a program of exercises had been arranged and would constitute the closing exercises.

The first number announced was a piano duet by the Misses Fennell, performed with their usual artistic taste, which has made them popular favorites in the city, and they received a most hearty applause from the audience.

Following came a duet by the Misses DeLand, which consisted of a vocal duet by these young ladies, who accompanied themselves on the violin. The song blended very harmoniously with the two violins and the piano accompaniment and deserved the hearty applause bestowed.

Prof. McIntosh then introduced the Hon. S. M. Sparkman of Tampa, who was the speaker of the evening, who took the theme "Preparation" for the foundation of his remarks. He thanked the members for the honor conferred in inviting him to address the school, teachers, parents and pupils on this occasion, and delivered an address that was filled with grand thoughts and sparkled with inspiring language. Owing to lack of space we are unable to print his address, but it was a brilliant effort.

Next on the program was a piano solo by Miss Myrtle Fennell, which was only another proof of her thorough abilities as a pianist, who plays with grace and brilliant technique.

The presentation of the medal for the best written essay on the life of General Forrest, given by J. J. Finley Chapter, U. D. C., came next on the program. There were three contestants and the winner was Mattie A. Williams, who wrote under the non de plume of "Panay," and in a few well chosen words Hon. Christopher Matheson made a very neat presentation speech.

The reading of the roll of honor—those pupils whose standing was over 90, was done by Prof. McIntosh, and there were 114 names from the 11th grade to the 2d.

The exercises being concluded, the audience was dismissed by the principal of the school and all felt well pleased with the showing made under the unfavorable circumstances.

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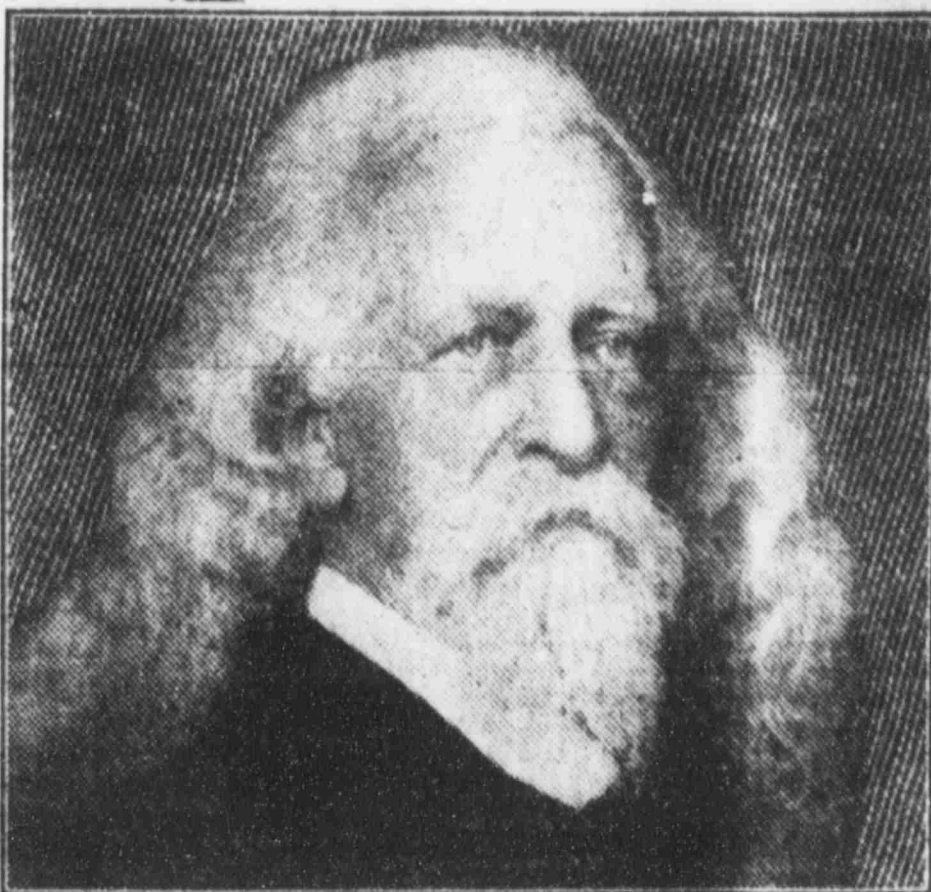
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Old residents of Gainesville will remember that side-splitting comedy, "A Bachelor's Bedroom," which was "put on" by leading local stars several years ago, one of whom afterwards became famous and made a reputation for himself in the dramatic world.

This play was such a success that efforts are being made to have the same reproduced for the benefit of newcomers. Inasmuch as that the leaders in the old cast are again in the city, this should be accomplished with little work, as these leaders no doubt will readily recall the lines after brief study.

ANNUAL ENCAMPMENT.

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The annual extension of the Seaboard Air Line Railway will be given May 18th and 19th. Train No. 34 will leave Tampa May 18th; special from Jacksonville morning of May 19th, and from Gainesville train No. 34 May 19th. The following rates from Gainesville proper, for return tickets: Lake City, \$2.50; Live Oak, 2.75; Madison, \$3.50; Monticello, \$4.00; Tallahassee, \$4.50; Quincy, \$5.00; River Junction, \$5.00; Bainbridge, \$5.00.

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Jefferson's Birthplace Sold.

Philadelphia, May 19—Joseph Jefferson's birthplace has been sold at auction for \$8,125. It is a three and a half story stone building at the southwest corner of Sixth and Spruce streets. Some years ago a plan was formed to purchase the property and hold it as a Jefferson museum, but the idea was dropped.

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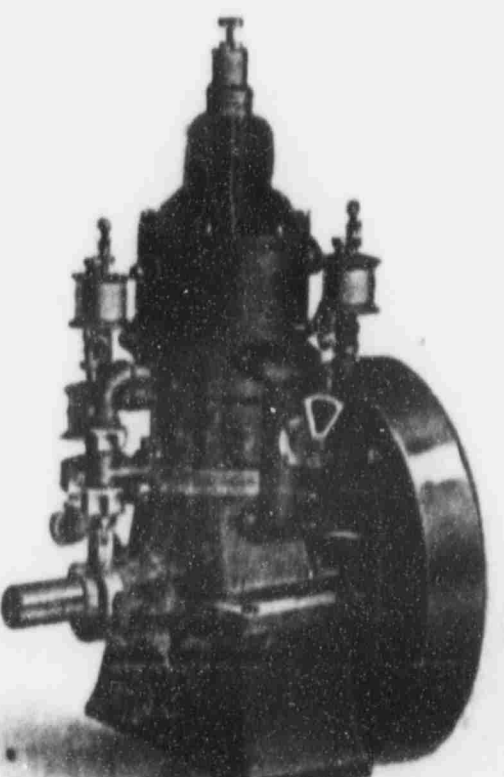
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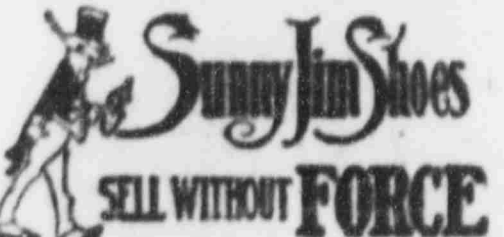


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